

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 3611  
PATENT**

Attorney Docket No. 2100.0082

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Timothy M. JOHNS et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 3611
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Application No.: 10/781,629	)	Examiner: Yeagley, Daniel S.
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Filed: February 20, 2004	)	Confirmation No.: 4131
	)	
For: LIFTING SYSTEMS AND	)	<b>Mail Stop AF</b>
METHODS FOR USE WITH A	)	
HITCH MECHANISM	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant petitions for a two-month extension of time to file a reply to the Office Action of December 6, 2007. A fee of \$460.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any additional extensions of time required to enter the attached reply and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: May 6, 2008

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